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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:

ZUKER *et al.*

Application No.: 09/361,630

Filed: July 27, 1999

For: **NUCLEIC ACIDS ENCODING PROTEINS  
INVOLVED IN SENSORY TRANSDUCTION**

Examiner: U. Winkler

Art Unit: 1645

PETITION TO EXTEND TIME

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Art Unit 1645  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants petition the Assistant Commissioner of Patents to extend the time for response to the Restriction Requirement Office Action dated June 7, 2000 for one (1) month, from July 7, 2000 to August 7, 2000. An appropriate response in the form of a Response to Restriction Requirement is enclosed herewith.

Please charge the fee of \$55.00 to the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 20-1430. Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to the above deposit account. This petition is submitted in triplicate.

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